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- Steve Dutra announced that on Saturday, October 14 Phase 2 of a Community Development Block Grant funded project to plant trees and flowers at 12 locations on the east side of the community will be implemented. Further, Mr. Dutra introduced members in the audience from Tree Lodi and informed the public that it will hold its first annual fall 2006 tree planting program, which is a joint project between the Lodi Improvement Committee (LIC), Tree Lodi, and Solutions. The two goals of Tree Lodi for the fall tree planting program include: 1) planting 100 additional shade trees to the Lodi urban forest and 2) developing a sense of stewardship of the newly planted trees by the property owners. Tree Lodi will make applications available at the following locations: Parks and Recreation Department, Community Development Department, Finance Department, and Weigum's Nursery. The application details the responsibilities of the future tree owner, Tree Lodi, and LIC. The deadline for submitting applications is October 27, and anyone interested in the program was encouraged to contact Tree Lodi at 369-4558.

G. COMMENTS BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- Council Member Hansen reported that he attended the Northern California Power Agency (NCPA) annual conference last week and that compelling information was presented regarding global warming and greenhouse gases. He stated that Assembly Bill 32 was recently signed by Governor Schwarzenegger making the State of California the first state in the nation to enact mandatory greenhouse gas emissions regulations. NCPA has a great partnership with the California Municipal Utilities Association (CMUA) and the Northwestern Public Power Association, all of whom have been working closely together on various legislative efforts with a good degree of success. Senate Bill 107 regarding the State's renewable portfolio was signed into law, and because of their effort, the bill's sponsor worked to ensure local control. Additionally, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued an order approving the California Independent System Operator's (CAISO) market design technology update. Because of this group's effort in encouraging 14 U.S. senators to express their concerns about the regional impact of the proposal, FERC is requiring the CAISO to provide long-term transmission rights and fully test those prior to implementation. These are two huge victories for local energy providers, which prove the value of lobbying both in Washington D.C. and California. Further, NCPA's Law and Regulatory Committee will be meeting in November to develop a strategic plan, which will be presented to NCPA in establishing the goals for 2007.
- Mayor Pro Tempore Johnson commented on a quote in the newspaper from Mayor Hitchcock regarding zero-based budgeting and suggested that the City schedule a meeting to discuss this issue. Zero-based budgeting begins the year at zero, and each item in the budget must be justified. He stated that he was not advocating this method for every year because it is time and labor intensive; rather, he suggested the City consider a zero-based budget next year and then continue on a four- or five-year cycle.

Both Mayor Hitchcock and Council Member Mounce expressed an interest in pursuing this suggestion.

- Council Member Mounce reported that Senate Bill 1210, which limits the power of eminent domain in California, was recently signed by Governor Schwarzenegger. The law implements procedural changes designed to give additional power to property owners, as well as provides changes to redevelopment law that could reduce the prospect of conflicts of interest or the use of eminent domain to take property in a redevelopment project area after blight in the project area has been remediated.

H. COMMENTS BY THE CITY MANAGER ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- City Manager King acknowledged Deputy City Clerk Perrin for the great job she has done in serving as the Interim City Clerk. He further announced that Ms. Perrin was selected as Employee of the Quarter in recognition of the significant amount of time and effort she has devoted to the City.

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

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October 4, 2006

Dear Citizens of Lodi

Tree Lodi is proud to announce this years Fall 2006 Tree Planting program. This is a joint project between Lodi Improvement Committee, Tree Lodi and Solutions.

Tree Lodi has two goals related to this Fall Tree Planting program:

- First we hope to plant at least 100 shade trees in Lodi's urban forest.
- Secondly we expect to develop a sense of Stewardship of the newly planted trees by the property owners.

Tree Lodi will make applications available for this tree-planting program at the following locations:

- City of Lodi Parks and Recreation Department, 125 N. Stockton Street
- City of Lodi Community Development Department, 221 W. Pine Street
- City of Lodi Finance Department, 300 W. Pine Street
- Weigum's Nursery 401 N. Ham Lane

The Tree Planting Application requests specific information from the applicant and provides background information of the program. The application also details the responsibilities of the property owner, Tree Lodi and the Lodi Improvement Committee related to this tree-planting program.

Deadlines for submitting applications for the Fall 2006 Tree Planting Program is October 27, 2006. Applicants will be contacted within two weeks of the application deadline.

If you have questions related to the Fall 2006 Tree Planting Program please contact Tree Lodi at 369-4558.

Tree Lodi thanks the City Council for their support.

Tree Planting Application: Fall 2006

Name of Applicant: _____

Address of future planting site: _____

Telephone number of the applicant: _____

Owner of the property and telephone number: _____

Signature of the property owner: _____

Background:

- This is a joint project between Lodi Improvement Committee, Tree Lodi and Solutions.
- The goal of this project is to plant at least 100 shade trees on the private property of Lodi residents during the fall of 2006.
- This project will develop a sense of Stewardship of the newly planted tree by the property owner.
- At this time no more than two trees will be planted per property.
- Trees can only be planted in front yard of the property.

Property Owner's Responsibilities:

- Will provide a planting location for the tree in the front yard area only.
- Will dig the hole, plant, stake and water the tree.
- Will provide two 8' lodge pole tree stakes per tree.
- Will provide the correct fertilizer for the tree. (Stakes and fertilizer can be bought at Weigum's Lodi Nursery at 401 North Ham Lane, Lodi).
- Will water the tree as needed from spring to fall.
- Will prune the tree correctly during the winter.
- Renters can apply for the trees but the property owner must approve of the tree being planted on their property. The property owner's signature is required before a tree can be donated for planting.
- The tree must be in good condition three years after the planting date. If the tree is in poor condition or missing, the property owner will not be able to receive any future trees at any of his or her properties.
- The tree must be planted by January 31, 2007.
- After the tree has been planted, the nursery can and bamboo stake must be returned to Weigum's Lodi Nursery at 401 North Ham Lane, Lodi.

Tree Lodi's Responsibilities:

- Will provide a tree.
- Will provide a site visit before and after the planting.
- Will provide a site inspection three years after the planting date to check on the condition of the tree.
- Will provide a number of tree planting demonstrations.
- Will provide tree stewardship training.
- Will provide tree pruning demonstrations.
- Will provide answers to any tree issue questions by telephone and email.

Lodi Improvement Committee's Responsibilities:

- Will provide copies of the tree applications at walk-in locations and online.
- Will collect the applications and forward them to Tree Lodi's Board of Directors.

Property Owner agrees to and shall indemnify, defend and hold the City, its council members, appointed board members and commissioners, officers, agents, employees and representatives and Tree Lodi and Solutions harmless from liability for damage or claims of damage, for personal injury, including death, and claims for property damage which may arise from or relate to the tree's planted under this agreement.

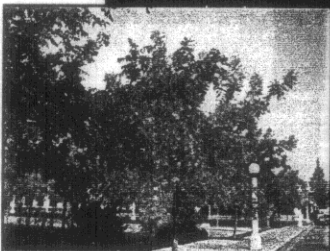
Property Owner agrees to the above terms as a condition of receiving the trees provided under this Agreement.

Dated: _____

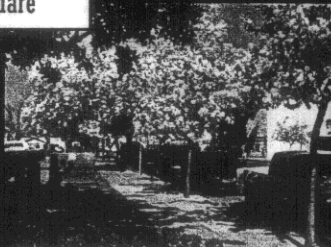
Property Owner Signature

GOALS

- **PROMOTE** - To encourage members of the community to engage in the planting and maintenance of trees throughout Lodi
- **ADVOCATE** - To speak on behalf of Lodi's urban forest
- **EDUCATION** - To provide current and accurate information to the community concerning tree issues
- **STEWARDSHIP** - To teach the citizens of Lodi to be managers of our urban forest
- **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT** - To involve the citizens of Lodi in their urban forest



Magnificent fall colors adorn
Hutchins Street Square



Trees in bloom beautify
Church Street in the spring



Tree Lodi members
demonstrate tree planting
at Arbor Day 2006

Joyce Harmon, President
Steve Dutra, Vice President
Rose Lazzaro, Secretary / Treas.
Richard Blackston, Director
Bill Hobson, Director
Andi Kutlik, Director
Esther Milnes, Steward
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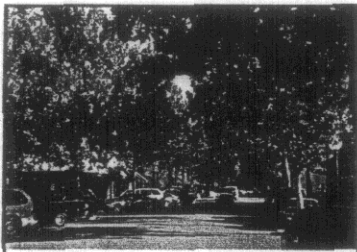


Wonderful tree lined streets
welcome visitors to Lodi

Who Is Tree Lodi?

"Tree Lodi is a community based non-profit organization created to promote and advocate for the planting, maintenance and preservation of Lodi's urban forest through education, stewardship and community involvement"

We are teachers, homemakers, arborists, business owners, managers and retired folks . . . citizens just like you. We appreciate trees, what they do for our community and the environment. We are determined to make a difference in Lodi's urban forest.



Sycamore trees shade downtown Lodi along School Street

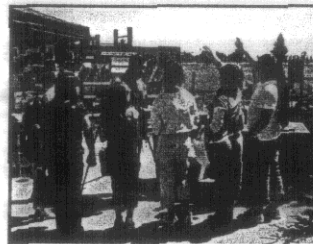
Our group is involved in local beautification projects and we work in cooperation with the City of Lodi, Lodi Unified School District, community

organizations, local businesses, and citizens. We are a valuable resource for those seeking information about trees and their care, and can speak at community service groups and other functions. Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to make a difference! Contact us today at:

treelodi@yahoo.com

Benefits of Trees

- Increase property values
- Beautify business districts, encourage pedestrian traffic and provide longer shopping enjoyment
- Provide shade and save energy costs
- Provide oxygen and reduce pollution
- Prevent soil erosion
- Provide shelter for wildlife
- Provide privacy



Education about trees and their care is one of our goals

Did you know?

Right Tree . . . Right Place

- Does your tree have enough room to grow and reach its mature size?
- Have you selected the right tree for your yard and will it provide enough shade?
- Is the area too wet or dry for the type of tree you have selected?
- Will your tree interfere with overhead utility wires when it reaches full size?
- Will your tree cause problems in the future with underground utilities?
- Does the tree you selected tend to be surface rooted? What about sidewalks, driveways and building foundations?
- Will your tree be too close to your home?

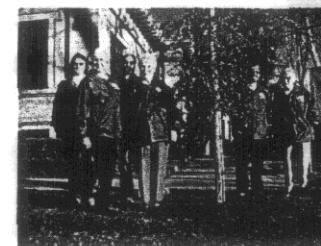
Get involved today !!!

We are looking for citizens, businesses and community groups who want to make a difference in our wonderful town. Stand up and take pride in our community! Help us work toward a goal of ensuring that future generations of Lodians will have beautiful tree lined streets in which to live, work, and play. We can all be proud that Lodi is a distinguished Tree City USA so let's keep the legacy going. Call or email us today for more information. We look forward to seeing you at a future Tree Lodi event.



Community members get involved by planting trees in Salas Park

Vinewood School students lend a hand planting trees in Vinewood Park



Tree Lodi members take part in the first tree planting ceremony for Lodi's centennial. One down and 99 to go!

Come join the fun !!!